MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) No new roads were opened in these taluks during the period referred to.

(*b*) Nil.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know the reason why no amount was spent for the completion of incomplete works?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR: Provision was not made in the Budget for that.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): ഫണ്ട്-ലെ വർക്ക്സ് ജനപ്രതിനിധികളുമായി ആലോചിച്ച് ചെയ്യാനല്ലേ ഏർപ്പാട് ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്നത്?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR: അതെ.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI (*Karunagapally* cum *Kartikapally*): May I know whether there were any representations from the public to open those roads?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR: If there has been any representation it would have been attended to.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: With reference to part (*b*) may I know whether there was any incomplete work remaining in those three taluks?

MR M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR: I claim notice, Sir.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether the Chief Engineer has inspected these roads?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR: No roads were yet to be completed and so I did not inspect those roads.

Collection of shanks from the territorial waters of the State.

200 *MR. MURUKKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether licences have been issued in the year 1114 to any one for the collection of shanks from the territorial waters of the State;

(*b*) if so, who are the persons to whom such licences have been issued; and

(*c*) what are the terms and conditions of the licence?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Mr. Yoosuf Haji Noor Mohamed Sait and Mr. Linus D'Cruz.

*(*c*) A copy of the terms and conditions of the licence is appended.

Ceramic Works at Kundara.

201 *MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the amount spent up-to-date for the Ceramic works at Kundara;

(*b*) whether the expert is drawing the necessary amounts direct from the Imperial Bank of India Ltd., and

(*c*) the number of times with dates on which the accounts of the works have been audited?

* *Vide* Appendix I.—pages 733-735.

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Appendix I.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 200.**

Terms and conditions of the licences issued for the collection of shanks.

1. The period of the license shall be five years commencing from the 1st day of Vrischigom 1114 provided however that it shall be competent for the Government to terminate the license at any time during the said period of 5 years after giving six months' notice in writing to the licensee.
2. The licensee shall deposit with the Government a sum of B. Rs. two hundred as security for the due and faithful performance of the covenants and agreements governing the license.
3. The licensee shall without prejudice to the Government's right to the grant of similar licenses have liberty and power to collect shank shells from the territorial waters of the State except in such areas thereof as may be interdicted by Government from time to time by notification in the Gazette, and to export the same from the State or otherwise deal with them.
4. Royalty should be paid by the licensee at the rate of B. Rs. (10) ten per (100) one hundred shanks collected.
5. The shank shells collected by the licensee shall at his own expense and at his own risk, be stored at the place determined and specified by the Director of Agriculture and Fisheries; who shall have full and absolute power in so determining and specifying the places where the shank shells collected by the licensee are to be stored and the licensee shall not be at liberty to store the shank shells collected by him at any place other than those determined and specified.
6. The licensee shall not be at liberty to remove the shank shells collected and stored by him in the manner herein above contained until they have been examined and passed by a duly authorised officer of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and the royalty due thereon has been remitted into a Government Treasury.
7. The licensee shall at the close of every month report in writing to the Director of Agriculture and Fisheries the number of shank shells stored and collected at each place during the preceding month and the Director shall thereupon arrange for the number of shank shells collected and stored being verified and checked either by himself or by an officer of his department duly authorised by him in this behalf and fix the amount of money payable to the Government on account of such shank shells.

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8. When the number of shank shells collected and stored at any place has been verified and the amount payable to the Government fixed as provided for in the immediately preceding clause, the licensee shall within a fortnight of the receipt of notice therefor issued by the Director or by an officer of his department authorised in this behalf, pay into the nearest Government Treasury the amount due to the Government on account of the shank shells so collected and stored. If, however, the licensee fails or commits default in paying the amount within a period of two weeks from the due date thereof it shall be lawful to Government to take possession of the shank shells collected and stored and dispose of the same at the risk of the licensee in whatever manner it seems best to the Government.

9. Any dispute regarding the number of shank shells collected and stored as well as the amount of money payable to the Government on account thereof shall be settled by the Director of Agriculture and Fisheries whose decision in the matter shall be final.

10. After payment of the amount due to Government as aforesaid, the licensee shall forward the chalan receipts therefor to the Director of Agriculture and Fisheries and the licensee shall thereupon be entitled to obtain a pass from the Director of Agriculture and Fisheries for exporting the shank shells paid for, through any chowkey to be specified by the licensee.

11. When the licensee exports shank shells he shall deliver the passes to the chowkey officer.

12. The licensee shall, during the continuance of the period covered by the license supply to the Director of Agriculture and Fisheries, free of price, such quantities of shank shells as may be called for and required by him for purposes of experiment or investigation.

13. The holding of a license for the collection of shanks shall not be deemed to entitle the licensee to a monopoly of the right to collect shank shells in the territorial waters of the State or to authorise the licensee to collect anything other than shank shells nor does it confer on him any claims to such things, if any, when collected by him.

14. The Government reserve to themselves the power to frame rules and to take necessary measures for the development of the shank fisheries and for the investigation of the sea bottom. The licensee shall be bound by such rules and measures.

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15. The licensee shall not use any dredger or other apparatus of the like nature detrimental to shank beds for the purpose of fishing or for collecting shanks.

16. The Superintendent of Fisheries or an officer of the Fisheries Department not below the rank of a Fishery Inspector shall have power to examine the shank beds, investigate the conditions of the shank fisheries and to inspect at any time the shanks collected by the licensee.

17. Provided always and it is hereby agreed that this grant is subject to the express condition that if the royalty hereby reserved or any part thereof shall at any time remain unpaid for two weeks after the same shall have become payable (whether formally demanded or not) or if the licensee shall at any time fail or neglect to perform or observe any of the covenants herein contained, then in any such case it shall be lawful for the Government by notice in writing to determine the license, and thereupon the rights and privileges granted shall absolutely cease and determine but without prejudice to any right of action which shall have accrued to the Government in respect of any breach of the licensee's covenants. If the right is determined by default as stipulated the security deposit furnished by the licensee shall be forfeited to Government.

18. The licensee shall not assign or underlet or otherwise alienate the rights, licenses and liberties hereby granted and demised or any part thereof. The license holder may however engage agents under him to work the fisheries, but they should be provided with passes issued by the licensee.

19. The licensee shall guarantee sufficient volume of business within a year of the grant of the license and conduct the work of collection and export of shanks to the satisfaction of the Director of Agriculture and Fisheries throughout the period the license is in force.

20. All sums payble to Government by the licensee under these rules shall be treated as arrears of public revenue and shall be recoverable as such from the properties movable and immovable of the licensee according to the provisions of the law for the time being in force therefor.

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